GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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MODERNISATION OF IRRIGATION PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of irrigation projects in various States which require modernization;

(b) the details of projects that have been taken up for modernization during the Ninth Plan, State-wise; and

(c) the other projects likely to be modernized in various States during the remaining period of Ninth Plan?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) Assessment of the need for modernization of existing irrigation projects is made by the State Governments themselves keeping in view irrigation potential currently utilized vis-Ã -vis original potential, condition of canal system, equity in water supply to tail-enders and water use efficiency. Proposals for modernization of identified projects are submitted to the Central Water Commission for techno-economic appraisal.

(b) 35 Numbers of irrigation projects in various States have been taken up for modernization during the Ninth Plan.The State-wise details of these projects are given in the statement enclosed.

(c) Water being a State subject such schemes are planned, funded and executed by the State Governments themselves out of their own resources and as per their own priorities.